Manchester Bureau......102 Hull Street. eight miles over muddy roads in one Petersburg Bureau......40 N. Sycamore St. day, how many miles could a President Lynchburg Bureau.......218 Eighth St. in training ride? Would the whole

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BOND SECURED CURRENCY. In 1861, when the national bank act trhe passed little or no heed was paid of bank note efreulation was were such and the burden of irredeemprophecies of forty years ago that bond correct, and has recorded

unestable bonds its present need a sound system for finance and Then the government took thought for the future, and cer- the City Engineer's specifications, gives tainly Salmon P. Chase would have every promise of meeting all requirecohpoched as a fool or denounced as And yet that is exactly what about to happen if the Gatun will be remembered that at the present ix months, while call money is lending ing. This was one of the contractor's inevitably be inflated. Now the danbased on gold, their quantity fluctuates with the needs of commerce. In times

issue of notes to banks increasing circulation during December was \$13,566,-654, representing practically the amount of the new bonds deposited, while from November 30th to December 31st circu. lation secured by bonds increased an increase in bond secured circulation used to move the crops is pouring back against the soundness of the existing

\$623,250,517 on June 20, 1968. Since

bank note currency system." country is approaching paper inflation. and that the government and national banks alike are doing nothing to obviate the danger.

A PRESIDENT OUT OF TRAINING. invasion of Virginia, as officially described, was to show what "a President who is not in training" can do to a horse. This suggests a rather interesting question. When is a Presi-

dent in training?

Mr. Roosevelt's predilection for physical exercise is spread upon the public prints. His passion for it is colossal, abnormal, all but unwholesome. He loves to take twenty-five mile walks in the rain, sloshing through mud and wading to his arm-pits in streams. He tires out a whole tennis cabinet, one after another, on the courts. He fences excellently well, thanks to Leonard Wood. He jiu-jitsus with the leading professors from Tokio and Yokohama. He indulges in mills with middleweight champions. John L. himself has told us that he "has the punch." At Oyster Bay it is his dally habit to cut a load of stovewood; to help "get in" the neighbors' hay, or to swim a few miles is one trust that was not mothered by the tariff. of thing is going on all the time, with

The Cimes Bispolch It they do not get and keep a man "in training," what on earth can?
And another thing, It "a President

who is not in training can ride ninety-

tainly brought to light much that will to place blame where it really bement has come with growing knowledge of the manner in which the build-

less breakdown first became ovident, was to bundle off responsibility on the City Engineer. Such rough-and-ready further testified to the superiority of

months, and from present any, he practiced will probably never

advantages of properly bonding them for the faithful discharge of their

ARID BIRMINGHAM.

\$643,459,899 on December 31, 1907, to of the law, it was signed by the sheriff

situation. The Alabama law forbids all persons to sell liquor. The United States internal revenue laws require all persons who rettil liquor to pay a license tax. The criminal code of Alabama requires the sheriff, it seems, to compile and publish a list of all persons who pay such taxes. The criminal code of all persons who pay such taxes. The conflict of duty and embarrassment for the sheet of the sheet United States internal revenue laws require all persons who retail liquor of all persons who pay such taxes. The conflict of duty and embarrassment for both liquor dealer and sheriff is apparent. If a man retails liquor in Alabama he breaks the law. If he retails liquor and does not publish his name, he seems to be looking for trouble. If the sheriff of Jefferson knows that any person is retailing liquor and does not close him up, he is derelict in his duty. Ordinarily, if sympathetic, he can justify himself by making it his business not to know of any such persons. But if he has to compile their names for purposes of publication, the assumption of childlike and bland ignorance before the following tree sisters remained at the redships of the confirm value of the buy itself furnished the noise. Mrs. James Breck Perkins, who originated the idea of the Congressional Club. Mrs. James Breck Perkins, who originated the idea of the Congressional Club. Mrs. James Breck Perkins, who originated the idea of the Congressional Club. His idea of the Wissouri, is one of the Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the good old Cuban President, is returning to the deub, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the good old Cuban President, is returning to the deub, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the good old Cuban President, is returning to the deub, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the good old Cuban President, is returning to the deub, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the good old Cuban President, is returning to the deub, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Estrada. Palma, wildow of the Sne has a feed only the club, and is said to be planning a very gay winter with the club as a centre. Mrs. Starda, Palma, of the Mrs. Estrada. Palma, of the Mrs. Estrada. Palma, of the Wissouri, is one of the vice That there should be such conflict of duty and embarrassment for at a time when call money still rules rent. If a man retails liquor in Alabelow 3 per cent., and the currency bama he breaks the law. If he retails into the New York banks, is, perhaps, he breaks it again. If he retails liquor the most striking indictment yet framed and publishes his name, he seems to This means in simple terms that this retailing liquor and does not close The object of the recent equestrian tion of childlike and bland ignorance of their existence begins to look a little

> How is it that the anti-saloon forces are so much better at passing laws than enforcing them? Are they altogether right to consider the victory won when the statute goes on the books? Surely the most ardent wet could have no serious objections to State-wide prohibition with 117 saloons to the county.

As we understand his message, the President thinks that from the public point of view James River, Mo., could be dammed with faint praise.

Anyone in position to know will con-fer a favor by informing Floyd county in whose midst it really belongs.

It is all one to the 'possum, however, whether he lubricates the oesophagi of coons or kings. We take it that Mark Twain (Inc.)

of thing is going on all the time, with "I have been vindicated," thunders only the necessary interludes for Cab- Thornton Hains. Well, well,

Borrowed Jingles

THE NOVELIST IN CACTUS CENTRE. THE NOVELLET IN CACTUS CENTRE,
We was velted in Cactus by a classic featored sent.
Who said was a writer and informed us
he was bent older and informed us
on securit' local color for a novel of real
life,
Where the picturesque compuncher wins the
schoolma'am for a wife.

we took him to the Bar X, where the writin' yap
That he'd find ranl Western color ever
ready and on tap,
And the foreman, Skr-Gun Roberts, made
him slave the livelong day,
Fixin' irrigatin' ditches and a-feedin' stock
with hay.

He hustled wood for fires till his arms was most broke off.

And he hollered at the mileh cows till he nearly got a cough,

And when he says, "Bog pardon—but trot out your Western biz,"

Old Six-Gun says, "Keep workin!—this is all the West there is,

"Fer it's time to teach you writers." goes on Six-Gun, speakin' stern:
"That the lane of "Western liction is most due to take a turn;
There ain't no hullsale shootin's allus goin' on out here.
"Cause the bad men up and vanished when we lost the old frontier.

"So," said Six-Gun, "jest keep workin' and
a-workin' nail and tooth
Till you're sure that when you're writin' you
can tell the world the truth."
But that night the writer vanished, and the
Bar X was forsook,
And we're wonderin' in Cactus if he'll ever
write his book,
Denver Rapublican

-Denver Republican.

MERELY JOHING.

First Doctor—This is a most mysterious case. I can't make anything out of it. Second Doctor—Hasn't the patient any money?—Puck,

Any Coange Is Welcome.
"Twe varied my historical novel somewhat,"
"As to how?"
"Instead of praing about my hero's good right arm, I've made him a southpaw,"—Washington Herald.

"Santa Claus brought me these toys."
"So you believe in Santa Claus, my boy?"
"Why, yes. It pleases my parents to thinh at I.do. Why rob them of their harmtess illusions?"—Houston Chronicle.

"Is there any redeeming feature about these tube gowns?"
"Well," replied the trolley magnate ad-dressed, "they pack well in a car,"—Hous-ton Chronicle.

Out of 268 votes in the New Hamnshire egislature, Senator Gallinger was bitterly phosed for re-election by ten votes and colliers Weekly,—Washington Herald,

Senator Foraker might pair with ex-resident Nord Alexia, of Hayti, in hunt-ic a new political job.—Denver Republi-

o is the most important person ord?" asks the Wichita Earle, (based on observation is the high of a dining car.—New York Mail.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL

rightened, enjoyed it immensely.

Only three sisters remained at the breaking up of the Shaker village in Shirley, last week, that was founded in 1733, It will be remembered that the State has bought the property, and the three who were left, Josephine Jilson, Laura Beat and Annie Belle Tuttle, have become members of the settlement of Shakers in Harvard.

IMPASSIONED RHODOMONTADE. A Little Reminiscence of Some Recent Remarks to Taft.

We do not think the Georgia barbece will exert a particularly caloric influence upon Mr. Taft's tendrils in respect of the Southern people and their customs. Fortunately no such effect is needed, for the President-elect has obviously been captured by the warmth, the hospitality and the unmistakable gonulneness of his entertainers and their yisting delegations. No doubt the impassioned rhodomontade of General Rufus N. Rhodes, of Birmingham, may have given him that the deeling, but only for a moment. No other person, so far as we have heard, has brandished his heartstrings quite so fuently. As a rule, Mr. Taft's experiences have been wholesome and most pleasant.—New York Sun.

The Cost of Secret Service. If the secret service expenses keep on piling up, that burean will soon be running the Panama Canal a close second in the matter of bond issues.— Washington Post.

The Courts of Europe

By La Marquise de Fontenov.

It is a peculiar fact that, although royal personages are called upon to spend so much of their time on horseback, the steed being, indeed, so to speak, one of the attributes of anthority, since the man "a choval" is always more impressive and calculated to inspire respect, than any one on foot, they do not, as a rule, ride particularly well, the worst horseman of the lot being King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, who, in spite of his having been illeuitenant of a crack Austrian Hussar regiment when elected to his Balkan throne, is provented by infirmity from remaining on horseback for more than an hour at a time, and is restricted to the most tame, sober-gaited chargers. The Kings of Greece, of Sweden, of Norway and of Donmark prefer walking to either riding or driving, and are rarely seen on holseback. Neither Alexander III. of Russia, nor yet the present Czar, can be described as fine horseman, while King Edward, who, like his brothers, was taught to ride by a German riding master, selected by

tring out men much younger than himself by his astonishing endurance in the saddle.

Emperor William rides like an Engrand annual manoeuvres so happy as when in the hunting field. During the grand annual manoeuvres of the Gorman army he used to be sixteen, and even eighteen, hours in the saddle at a stretch day after day, but has summer made use of his automobile, in order to be able to travel from one point of the scene of the operations to the other with a greater degree of celerity. Victor Emmanuel III. likewise affects the automobile, although he is a much better horseman than his father. Humbert was passionately fond of horses, did not hesitate to ply his riding whilp vigorously on the lead and shoulders of any of his stablemen whom he found neglecting or filt-treating his equine favorites, but had a bad seat, and sustained more tumbies than any other of the anointed of the Lord King Leopoid, though I have never known him to hunt, used formerly to be very fond of riding, and looked well in the saddle. And the late King Christian of Denmark rode superbly, taking list horse over the most wonderful jumps, even long after his eightieth birthday.

Sultan Abdul Hamid has never, to my knowledge, during all the thirty-odd years of his reign, made use of the magnificent caparisoned Arab, which is always led in the procession every Friday, when he visits the mosque in state, and which is hed in readiness, in the event of his preferring to return on horseback instead of in his carriage. King Alfonso is the only crowned head to have won laurels at polo. But King Peter of Servia, in spite of his being a graduate of the gradual propose is suggestion and propose is suggestion and propose is suggestion. French military college of St. Cyr, rides abominably, presenting a pitiable figure on horseback instead of the gradual propose is suggestion and propose is suggestion have very life day and week after week these marters

As there are at least half a dozen women, most of them of ancient lineage and of unexceptionable position in society, who hear the title of Lady Lawson, it is only fair to them to explain just who the Lady Lawson is who has again been charged and fined in the London Police Courts for drunk and disorderly conduct. She is the wife of Sir Charles Allen Lawson, an Anglo-Indian journalist, who received his knighthood in 1887, at the time of the Queen's golden jubilee, for his services as editor and proprietor of various Madras papers, and as secretary and director of the Madras Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of seventy

vices as editor and proprietor of various Madras papers, and as secretary and director of the Madras Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of sevent and married in 1893 at Miss Catherine. Shaw, from whom he obtained a judic cal separation three years ago, on the ground that she was a liabitual drankard, only after she had been on several occasions arrested for drunkers, would not have attracted so much as tontion, even with the handle to her name, had it not been for the fact that it of the principal apostic of temperance in England.

This Sir Wilfred Lawson, who was in no way related to her husband, was the principal apostic of temperance in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and it was King Charles who first conferred the baronetcy upon the Sir Wilfred Lawson, of Isel Hall, Cumberland, or the came extinct with the death of its day. In 1896 this baronetcy became extinct with the death of its day. In 1896 this baronetcy became extinct with the death of its the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and and his Cumberland, estates to his day. In 1896 this baronetcy became extinct with the death of its was King Charles who first conferred the baronet yellow by the sound at the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and it was fixed to have come by his name in a rather and the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and it was king Charles who first conferred the baronet yellow the principal apositic of the principal apositic

is another Bir John Lawson, a Yorkshire land-owner, whose baronetoy was
bestowed upon his father by Queen
Victoria at the beginning of her
reign.
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Company.)

The existence of such a treacherous
spirit within the Republican circle at
Washington is a mendace not to Rooseveit merely; for in a few weeks his
responsibility will be at an end. The

STATE PRESS.

"It is hardly reasonable for good citizens to frame a restrictive law and then assault the law because they have ignored its provisions and allowed themselves to become "temporarily restricted," "—Richmond Tings, Diagrach

WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN.

But We Are Saved From It by Skill

tragic strife between the executive and legislative branches of the government.

Congress could govern the Philippines and Porto Rico, the Panama Zone, Hawaii, and all the Territories by a parliamentary commission and create a congressional army and navy for that purpose—at least, so the Supreme Court has said. It could lop off Cabinet portfolios, abolish the forest reserve and do away with secret service.

Americans have no fear of such governmental chaos, though our forms appear to European students as a dangerous mixture of irreconciliable conflicts of authority. The American catastrophe expected by foreign students is farther and farther away.

Perhaps it is the very necessity for reconciling our three different but coequal powers of government that has produced a skill of equilibrium in the United States that is incomprehensible abroad.—New York American.

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Voice of the People

The Battle Abbey Site.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 15, 1909.

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During these seven Rooseveltian parts the Congress has become more years the Congress has become more years the Congress has become more years the Congress has been a teared and, therefore hated personage in Washington, at the very time when his popularity outside was most exalted.

And now the galled team has turned to its driver. When he is about to lay aside the whip of power, the galled yokemates slash out with their heels at their former master.

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Dark Alleys and Crime.

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir.—Apropos of several recent attacks upon young women in this city, permit me to call the attention of the Light Committee of the Council to the obvious remedy.

In nearly every case of recent note the criminal has lurked in the shadows of a dark alley. Why not abolish these hiding-places by properly lighting all alleys? There is not an alley in the city so well lighted that a highwayman can't find an ambush therein.

Next, permit me to observe that the residential sections have not sufficient protection. By this I mean no refaction on the personnel of the police force—I mean Major Werner hasn't as many patroluon as he needs.

These two mutters romedled. I feel a sure such crimes will cease—particularly if a mass-macting of the best colored citizons be called and their co-operation secured in the suppression of the-malefactors who bring discredit on their race and our city.

I consider the man who habitually varries a pistoi to be a coward, but unless adequate remedies are found for the present conditions, I tilink every senam who has to work after dark ought to be granted a permit to carry a revolver.

Richmond Va.